

House Resolution

No. 10

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House Resolution No. 10—Relative to Social Work Month.

- 1 WHEREAS, March 2013 is recognized nationally as “Social
2 Work Month” and this year’s theme is, “Weaving Threads of
3 Resiliency and Advocacy: The Power of Social Work”; and
4 WHEREAS, The social work profession has its roots in the 1889
5 Chicago settlement house movement led by the “Mother of Social
6 Work,” Jane Addams; and
7 WHEREAS, The primary mission of the social work profession
8 is to enhance and meet the basic needs of all people, with particular
9 attention to the needs and empowerment through social action and
10 social justice for those who are poor, oppressed, and living in
11 poverty; and

1 WHEREAS, Today, there are over 640,000 professional social
2 workers in the United States, over 50,000 of whom are in
3 California; and

4 WHEREAS, There are over 4,000 graduate students in the social
5 work pipeline in 21 accredited California State University,
6 University of California, and private programs throughout the
7 state; and

8 WHEREAS, Professional social workers train in an intensive
9 combination of classroom and community experiences focused on
10 individuals, families, and communities in crisis and in need of
11 help; and

12 WHEREAS, Professional social workers provide services across
13 the age spectrum, from prenatal to end of life services; and

14 WHEREAS, Professional social workers serve in diverse
15 settings, including schools, courtrooms, health clinics, hospitals,
16 senior centers, homeless shelters, nursing homes, the military,
17 disaster relief, prisons, corporations, and in political office; and

18 WHEREAS, Professional social workers who have served in
19 Congress include the Honorable Ron Dellums, MSW, the
20 Honorable Barbara Lee, MSW, and the Honorable Susan Davis,
21 MSW. The Honorable Mary Salas, BSW, and the Honorable Patty
22 Berg, B.A. in social work, have served in the California State
23 Legislature; and

24 WHEREAS, Professional social workers who have combined
25 their leadership skills and knowledge of community development
26 into distinguished positions include Arturo Rodriguez, MSW,
27 President of the United Farmworkers Organization, and James
28 Mize, MSW, Sacramento Superior Court Judge; now, therefore,
29 be it

30 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
31 Assembly proclaims March 2013 “Social Work Month” in the
32 State of California, commends the California Chapter of the
33 National Association of Social Workers for its role in advancing
34 professional social work and promoting the well-being of the
35 people of California, and urges all Californians to take part in
36 March “Weaving Threads of Resiliency and Advocacy: The Power
37 of Social Work” events throughout California; and be it further

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 2 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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